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Applicant : Peter Hildebrandt et al.
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Title : Coupling Device
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Responsive to the Office action dated September 28, 2000
kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

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In the Claims:

Claim 1 (amended). Coupling device, comprising:

an optical fiber holder having a top face, a bottom face,
narrow side faces between said top face and said bottom face,
with transition regions formed between said narrow side faces,

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